

Supporting The Consideration And Inclusion Of 300 Flatbush Avenue, Kingston, New York In The State And National Registers Of Historic Places

Referred to: The Economic Development, Tourism, Housing, Planning and Transit Committee (Chairman Briggs and Legislators Allen, Archer, Bartels, Litts, Maio, and Maloney)

Legislator David B. Donaldson offers the following:

WHEREAS, 300 Flatbush Avenue, Kingston, New York (section/block/lot no.: 48.074-3-14.100), build circa 1872, is also known as the Kingston City Alms House; and

WHEREAS, the Kingston City Alms House was the first building erected by the city government of Kingston; and

WHEREAS, this institution was established to care for the city's poor; and

WHEREAS, Ulster County acquired the property in 1954, and continued the tradition of caring for the community by using the building as a chronic infirmary; and

WHEREAS, Ulster County utilized the property until recently serving residents by operating the Ulster County Health Department from this location; and

WHEREAS, the Ulster County Legislature recognizes that the Kingston City Alms House symbolizes the dedication of local government to the compassion and care for those members of our community in need; and

WHEREAS, the architectural structure of the Kingston City Alms House has remained intact, maintaining the beauty and value of the building as a county treasure; and

WHEREAS, the Kingston City Alms House deserves to be recognized in an official capacity as having significance in the history and culture of the City of Kingston and of Ulster County; and

WHEREAS, preservation of historic buildings can attract tourism and enhance economic development; and

WHEREAS, 300 Flatbush Avenue, Kingston, New York is currently owned by the Ulster County Economic Development Alliance Inc.; now, therefore be it

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RESOLVED, the Ulster County Legislature supports the consideration and inclusion of 300 Flatbush Avenue, Kingston, New York in the State and National Registers of Historic Places; and, be it further

RESOLVED, the Ulster County Legislature hereby requests the Ulster County Economic Development Alliance Inc. complete and file with the Clerk of the Ulster County Legislature within 30 days the "Statement of Owner Support" as attached in Exhibit A; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Ulster County Legislature shall forward copies of this resolution to the members of the City of Kingston Common Council and to Jennifer Betsworth, Historic Preservation Specialist, NYS Office of Parks, Recreation, and Historic Preservation,

and moves its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES:

NOES:

Defeated in Committee: Economic Development, Tourism, Housing, Planning and Transit on August 12, 2015

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

NONE